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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of  
this application.

A reference relevant to the examination of this application may soon become available. *Ex parte*  
prosecution is SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF 6 MONTHS from the date of this letter.

Upon expiration of the period of suspension, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of  
the application.

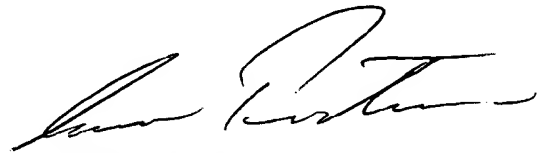
A US Application which claims priority based on WO 98/08594, which may apply as 102 (e) in  
the present application, is expected to be allowed soon.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner  
should be directed to Ana Fortuna whose telephone number is (703) 308-3857.

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Ana Fortuna

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ana Fortuna', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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